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1. PLEASE TRANSMIT FOLLOWING LETTER FROM MALIN TO YATROV:

2. 08.01 - JANUARY 19, 1977

MR. S. N. YATROV
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DEAR MR. YATROV:

THANK YOU FOR YOUR LETTER OF DECEMBER 17 CONCERNING
PREPARATIONS FOR A SECOND MEETING OF THE US-USSR WORKING
GROUP ON ENERGY INFORMATION AND FORECASTING. I AM
HOPEFUL THAT WE COULD AGREE ON SUCH A MEETING IN THE

UNITED STATES AFTER COOPERATIVE EFFORTS OF EXPERTS COME TO
FRUITION, ESPECIALLY IN AN EXCHANGE OF PAPERS AND IN

SEMINARS ADDRESSED TO THE TWO TOPICS THAT YOU MENTION
IN YOUR LETTER AND OTHER TOPICS ON WHICH WE MIGHT AGREE.
THE UNITED STATES WOULD LIKE TO PROPOSE THAT:

A. A SEMINAR IN THE AREA OF "ENERGY FORECASTING
METHODOLOGY" WOULD BE HELD IN WASHINGTON OR VIENNA IN
MAY 1977, AND INCLUDE THE REPORT MENTIONED BY YOU ON
"METHODS OF FORECASTING SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNOLOGICAL
PROGRESS IN PRODUCTION AND CONSUMPTION OF FUEL AND ENERGY
RESOURCES". OTHER PRODUCTIVE SUBJECTS WOULD ALSO BE
DEVELOPED, OUR PROJECT COORDINATORS SHOULD BE IN DIRECT
CONTACT. IF VIENNA IS SELECTED, WE WOULD PROPOSE THAT
THE MEETINGS BE HELD AT THE INTERNATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR
APPLIED SYSTEMS ANALYSIS (IIASA). IF THE USSR AGREES IN
PRINCIPLE WITH THESE PROPOSALS, DIRECT COMMUNICATION
SHOULD BE LAUNCHED BETWEEN DR. LYATKIN AND DR. JOHN D.
PEARSON, OFFICE OF ENERGY INFORMATION AND ANALYSIS,
FEDERAL ENERGY ADMINISTRATION, WASHINGTON, D.C. 20461.

B. A SEMINAR IN THE AREA OF "METHODOLOGY AND ANALYSIS
OF WAYS OF INCREASING THE EFFICIENCY OF USES OF FUEL-
ENERGY RESOURCES" WOULD BE HELD IN MID-1977 POSSIBLY IN
VIENNA AT THE IIASA AND INCLUDE THE REPORT MENTIONED BY
YOU ON "METHODOLOGY OF ASSESSING THE EFFECTIVENESS OF
FUEL AND ENERGY RESOURCE USE". THE U.S. WISHES TO
CHANGE THE DESIGNATION OF PROJECT COORDINATOR ON THIS
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TOPIC FROM J. MICHAEL POWER TO ROBERT F. HEMPHILL, JR.,
OFFICE OF CONSERVATION AND ENVIRONMENT, FEDERAL ENERGY
ADMINISTRATION, WASHINGTON, D.C. 20461. IF THE USSR
AGREES IN PRINCIPLE WITH THIS PROPOSAL, DIRECT
COMMUNICATION COULD THEN BEGIN BETWEEN MR. HEMPHILL AND
DR. AKHMEDOV.

IN ORDER TO INCREASE THE EFFECTIVENESS OF SUCH SEMINARS,
THE UNITED STATES PROPOSES THAT, AS A GENERAL PRACTICE,
EACH SIDE MAKE AVAILABLE TO THE OTHER THE TEXTS OF
REPORTS ON THE APPLICABLE SUBJECTS AT LEAST ONE MONTH IN
ADVANCE OF THE MEETING AT WHICH THEY ARE TO BE
DISCUSSED.

THANK YOU AGAIN FOR YOUR LETTER.

WE ARE LOOKING FORWARD TO USEFUL EXCHANGES IN THIS
IMPORTANT AREA IN THE NEAR FUTURE.

SINCERELY,

CLEMENT B. MALIN, CHAIRMAN
ASSISTANT ADMINISTRATOR

OFFICE OF INTERNATIONAL ENERGY AFFAIRS
FEDERAL ENERGY ADMINISTRATION.

3. FYI. IF KIRILLIN WISHES TO HAVE "GET ACQUAINTED"
VISIT WITH NEW US OFFICIALS IN THIS FIELD WHILE IN
WASHINGTON FOR FIFTH JOINT COMMISSION, SUCH A REQUEST
WILL BE CONSIDERED. EMBASSY SHOULD NOT TAKE ANY
INITIATIVE ON THIS MATTER AT PRESENT BUT PASS ON SOVIET
INITIATIVES. END FYI.

4. IF SUBJECT OF SHEYNDLIN PROPOSAL CONTAINED IN PARA 5B
OF REF B IS RAISED BY SOVIET SIDE, PLEASE EXPLAIN THAT
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DUE TO TRANSITION PERIOD IN WASHINGTON, US AGENCIES
CONCERNED ARE NOT IN POSITION MAKE ANY PLANS FOR PRESENT.

5. FYI. SCIENCE OFFICE REQUESTED NOT TO PURSUE THIS
IDEA FOR PRESENT. END FYI.
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